

**ST. LUCIE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS (ELECTED)**

	<u>1998-1999</u> <u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>1999-2000</u> <u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>2000-2001</u> <u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>2001-2002</u> <u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>2002-2003</u> <u>BUDGET</u>	<u>2003-2004</u> <u>BUDGET</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u> <u>CHANGE</u>	<u>%</u> <u>CHANGE</u>
<b>CLERK OF COURTS OF CIRCUIT COURT</b>	2,939,671	2,506,450	3,397,477	3,484,888	3,948,249	3,670,630	-277,619	-7.03%
<b>TAX COLLECTOR</b>	1,839,204	2,789,874	2,864,170	2,992,564	3,321,686	3,550,504	228,818	6.89%
<b>PROPERTY APPRAISER</b>	3,017,400	2,811,854	2,794,761	2,918,564	3,188,955	3,247,074	58,119	1.82%
<b>SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS</b>	1,252,080	1,316,053	1,395,634	1,637,726	1,697,039	2,221,578	524,539	30.91%
<b>SHERIFF</b>	29,600,211	32,035,569	32,731,799	34,102,783	36,396,918	39,383,971	2,987,053	8.21%
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES:</b>	<b>38,648,566</b>	<b>41,459,800</b>	<b>43,183,841</b>	<b>45,136,525</b>	<b>48,552,847</b>	<b>52,073,757</b>	<b>3,520,910</b>	<b>7.3%</b>

**CLERK OF COURTS OF CIRCUIT COURT**

The Clerk of the Courts serves as the clerk, accountant, and auditor for the Board of County Commissioners. The Clerk submits a budget to the Board by May 1st of each year. The Clerk's budget consists of two parts. The first deals with the Clerk's 'Finance' responsibilities to the Board. This is incorporated into the county budget review process and is subject to approval by the Board. The second part concerns the Clerk's responsibilities as Clerk of the Courts. This portion is supported by fees imposed on individuals by the court system.

Clerk to the Board	1,379,328	1,142,778	1,587,625	1,574,522	1,698,826	1,710,287	11,461	0.67%
Clerk of Circuit Court	1,560,343	1,363,672	1,809,852	1,910,366	2,249,423	1,960,343	-289,080	-12.85%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,939,671</b>	<b>2,506,450</b>	<b>3,397,477</b>	<b>3,484,888</b>	<b>3,948,249</b>	<b>3,670,630</b>	<b>-277,619</b>	<b>-7.03%</b>

**TAX COLLECTOR**

The Tax Collector is the constitutional officer charged with collecting all ad valorem taxes levied by the Board, special taxing districts, school board and all municipalities. The Tax Collector's budget is supported by commissions based on the tax levied. The budget is submitted to the Department of Revenue (DOR) by August 1st of each year with a copy sent to the Board. Once DOR reviews and approves the budget, no officer, Board of commission may modify it without DOR permission. (F.S. 195.087) Fees collected in excess of those required for the budget are returned to the taxing jurisdiction that paid them

Tax Collector	1,839,204	2,789,874	2,864,170	2,992,564	3,321,686	3,550,504	228,818	6.89%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,839,204</b>	<b>2,789,874</b>	<b>2,864,170</b>	<b>2,992,564</b>	<b>3,321,686</b>	<b>3,550,504</b>	<b>228,818</b>	<b>6.89%</b>

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<b>PROPERTY APPRAISER</b>								
Officer in charge of determining the value of all county property. The Property Appraiser budget is supported fees for services charged to each entity for which tax is collected (except the school board and municipalities, which are paid by the county). The fees are based on the approved budget, and allocated based on prior year tax collections. His estimated budget is submitted to Department of Revenue on June 1st. A copy is provided to the county at the same time. D.O.R. notifies the county of its tentative budget decisions by July 15; the Appraiser or Board may submit information for D.O.R. to consider prior to it's final decision on or before August 15. The departments budget decisions may be appealed to the Governor and Cabinet. The actual amounts reflect the fees paid by the county. The budgeted amounts are the Board's portion of the Property Appraiser's budget.								
Property Appraiser	3,017,400	2,811,854	2,794,761	2,918,564	3,188,955	3,247,074	58,119	1.82%
<b>TOTAL</b>	3,017,400	2,811,854	2,794,761	2,918,564	3,188,955	3,247,074	58,119	1.82%
<b>SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS</b>								
Officer in charge of implementing of the state election laws. The Supervisor of Elections submits her budget to the County on May 1st of each year. The budget is incorporated into the county budget review process and is subject to approval by the Board of County Commissioners. In the event the Board disagrees with the budget, the Board may amend, modify, increase, or reduce any or all items of expenditure in the proposed budget. If her budget has been modified, the Board must notified her in writing of its action to specific items amended. The Supervisor of Elections budget is supported by ad valorem taxes in the General Fund.								
Supervisor of Elections	1,252,080	1,316,053	1,395,634	1,637,726	1,697,039	2,221,578	524,539	30.91%
<b>TOTAL</b>	1,252,080	1,316,053	1,395,634	1,637,726	1,697,039	2,221,578	524,539	30.91%
<b>SHERIFF</b>								
Chief law enforcement officer for the county. The Sheriff submits his budget to the County on May 1st of each year. The budget is incorporated into the county budget review process and is subject to approval by the Board of Commissioners. In the event there is a disagreement between the Sheriff and the Board, it may be resolved by the Governor and Cabinet. The Sheriff has limited revenues from non-ad valorem resources. The majority of his budget in supported by ad valorem taxes; both tax and other revenue supporting the Sheriff's budget are budgeted in the Law Enforcement (Fine & Forfeiture) Fund.								
Judicial	989,243	1,396,888	1,692,893	1,777,668	1,899,600	2,027,285	127,685	6.72%
Law Enforcement	16,986,942	18,065,471	18,346,793	19,403,995	20,660,038	22,150,631	1,490,593	7.21%
Correction/Detention	11,624,026	12,573,210	12,847,965	12,921,120	13,837,280	15,206,055	1,368,775	9.89%
Budget Reduction	0	0	-155,852				0	
<b>TOTAL</b>	29,600,211	32,035,569	32,731,799	34,102,783	36,396,918	39,383,971	2,987,053	8.21%